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TO: ALL COUNTY CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES (CCS)
ADMINISTRATORS, CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION
(CHDP) PROGRAM DIRECTORS, DEPUTY DIRECTORS, NUTRITION
CONSULTANTS, CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS) BRANCH
STAFF AND REGIONAL OFFICE STAFF

SUBJECT: SATELLITE TRANSMISSION OF LIVE TELECONFERENCE-"WHEN
NUTRITIONAL AND ACTIVITY CHANGES ARE NOT ENOUGH:
WEIGHT LOSS SURGERY IN TEENS" - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2006

This notice is to inform you that the CMS Branch is sponsoring the downlink cost and coordinating arrangements for local CHDP and CCS programs to participate in another "live" satellite video teleconference from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Department of Pediatrics and Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Washington DC. This teleconference is entitled:

"When Nutritional and Activity Changes Are Not Enough:
Weight Loss Surgery In Teens"
Wednesday, June 7, 2006
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., P.S.T.

This teleconference is available to you for free and it is considered an "optional" training for CHDP and CCS program staff. Continuing education units (CEUs) will be available for dietitians and nurses. We had outstanding participation last year with over forty counties participating.

The purpose of the teleconference this year is more focused compared to last year; it will overview the increasingly prevalent medical condition, severe obesity and the guidelines for surgery via the following presentations:

- How can we prevent the need for surgery?
Nancy Copperman, M.S., R.D., C.D.N.
- Medical Assessment, Guidelines and Surgery for Weight Loss in Children
Thomas H. Inge, M.D., Ph.D., F.A.C.S., F.A.A.P.
- Nutritional Assessment and Interventions before, during and after surgery
Shelley Kirk, Ph.D., R.D., L.D.
- Psychological Concerns, Assessment and Interventions before and after surgery
Helmut R. Roehrig, Ph.D.

To obtain more teleconference information, go to the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Medicine, Children's Hospital of Alabama website: <http://adolescent.chsys.org>. Click on What's New-Events tab and the 2006 downlink-Pediatric Update line.

The training will likely be transmitted on C-Band (this band was used last year) and can be downlinked at a variety of sites. Each county health department throughout the state has satellite downlink capacity and a "distance learning coordinator" who may be able to assist you in arranging a satellite video teleconference or help you to locate a facility where you could host a CHDP and CCS training. Community colleges, California State University campuses, and some hospitals have facilities that might be used as local training sites.

For those who choose to participate, a local coordinator/contact person must be designated so they can:

- Serve as a contact person to coordinate with CMS;
- Identify a local training site that has satellite downlink capability (most likely C Band) and an outgoing telephone line;
- Identify and notify attendees, such as, program staff and others interested in the training;
- Receive and distribute training materials;
- Collect and forward participant questions during the telecast using the 800# link that will be provided later; and
- Record attendance and provide CEU information.

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Please complete Attachment B by Friday, March 24, 2006, so we can identify and promote participating programs. If you are having difficulty with securing a site by the deadline date or if you have additional questions, please contact Judy Sundquist.

Complete and return Attachment B to:

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